

Tuesday, May 11th

**FREE Information Session:
How to Choose and Finance a
Graduate Program**

Guest Representatives from
FUNED,
and State of Illinois
Trade & Investment

Tuesday, May 18th

**Sesión informativa GRATUITA:
La licenciatura
y cómo financiarla**

Guest Representatives from
Kendall College,
City Colleges of Chicago,
and State of Illinois
Trade & Investment

Thursday, May 20th

**FREE Workshop:
Get Acquainted with GMAT**

With Guest GMAT
Preparation Specialist
Steve West

Thursday, May 25th

**FREE Workshop:
Get Acquainted with TOEFL**

**These events will take place
from**

16:00-18:00 in the

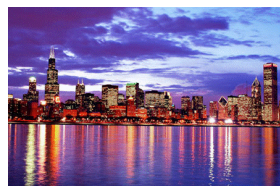
**Benjamin Franklin Library
Liverpool 31, Col. Juárez**

**To attend, please RSVP to:
info@iellatinamerica.org**

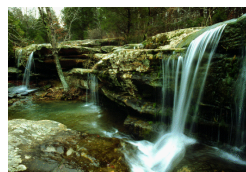


Study in Illinois

When people mention Illinois, the lime-light is on Chicago. As the third largest city in the U.S. with a dynamic business world and a happening arts scene, the city deserves its reputation. Chicagoans are proud of their towering skyline, an impressive array of museums—among the most active in the country, and an unrivalled jazz & blues music world.



But Illinois has a lot more than just Chicago. Most of the state's terrain is the typical Mid-west flat prairies, with a twist of forested hills towards the southern border. This is where the legendary Route 66 began its course. You will undoubtedly run into Americana like old-time diners with the distinct flavor of the friendly Mid-west.



In terms of higher education, Illinois counts within its border 49 community colleges (including the oldest community college in the U.S., Joliet Junior), nine public universities, and more than 100 private institutions.

The state has shown its commitment to education through various innovative programs. The Illinois Articulation is a

Closed:

Wednesday, May 5: Batalla de Puebla

Monday, May 10: Día de las Madres

Monday, May 31: Memorial Day

state-wide agreement to facilitate the higher education transfer process, especially from community colleges to four-year colleges and universities.



Many schools have also come together to create a Study Illinois consortium that specifically aims at helping international students.

For more information on these initiatives, visit their websites at:

www.itransfer.org and
studyillinois.siuc.edu.



Travel Grant for New Students

The CIS-Latin America Committee and Wren & Fida International has asked EducationUSA to nominate students for its annual travel grant. If you are interested in this opportunity, please send us your admission result no later than May 8th. Please include your full name, the college or university at which you intend to matriculate, your level and field of study, and whether you have been offered any financial aid. We will contact you no later than mid-May if you are selected.

Please contact us at
info@iellatinamerica.org
if you have any questions regarding
this opportunity.

Advising Tip of the Month: Making the Most of Campus Visits

All schools seem to offer academically rigorous courses, approachable faculty, a nurturing environment, state-of-the-art research facilities, and hundreds of student activities. How can you tell one from another? By visiting campus! Each school has its unique personality: artsy, nerdy, conservative, uber liberal, etc. This might be hard to find out unless you are physically on campus to get a gut feeling. Make the most of your visit by doing the following:

Attend campus tours: These student-led tours offer a broad view of campus. Scheduled tour information is usually available on the school's website.

Visit the admissions office: Call in advance for an appointment. Tell the school about yourself; it could help your application.

Attend classes and events: If school is in session you will experience first-hand both the level of intellectual engagement and the campus' social scene.

Talk to current students: Ask why they chose this school over others, what they like and don't like about their experience, and what type of students they think would benefit most from the school.

Visit offices of special interest to you: the international student office, the financial aid office, the career center, sports coaches and athletic facilities, etc.

For tips on how you can learn about a school's characteristics without a campus visit, please contact us at info@iielatinamerica.org.



Are you a Mexican professional or student who has studied in the U.S.? Join our **Ex-Alumnos EducationUSA** Alumni Network!

Mexican Alumni of U.S. educational institutions are invited to:

- Meet other professionals in their field
- Learn about employment opportunities
- Discover professional development programs
- Explore scholarships for U.S. study
- Take part in a mentoring program
- Share experiences from the U.S.

For more information or to register, communicate with the **Mexico City EducationUSA Advising Center:**
info@iielatinamerica.org

Tel: 5080-2801,-2802

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Individual Advising Sessions!

If you have already attended one of our orientations, and still have questions about how to choose a college major and find scholarships in the U.S., we invite you to schedule an individual advising session with one of our Educational Advisers. Individual appointments are free and available from 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Thursday. Please send an email to info@iielatinamerica.org to schedule your appointment today!



For more helpful hints on campus visits, our alumni network, online tools, or individual advising sessions, send your questions to the **EducationUSA Advising Center** at info@iielatinamerica.org.

Scholarships & Opportunities Listings

For a more complete listing of scholarship opportunities, log on to Facebook, Hi5, or Twitter and become a fan or friend of EducationUSA Mexico City!

1. Undergraduate Scholarship:

University of Mount Union (OH)

The International Award is given automatically to non-native English speaking applicants who qualify based on a review of a student's English language proficiency level at the time of acceptance. To qualify, applicants must be admitted as an F-1 degree seeking student and must not have completed their entire secondary school education in an English curriculum.

The award amounts are the following:

- 45-60 iBT - \$7,500 award
- 61 iBT and above - \$10,000 award

In addition, the school also offers need based financial aid. It could mean an additional \$6,000 for a total maximum of \$16,000.

For more information, contact the Center for Global Education at: intladms@muc.edu Tel. (330) 823-3296

Mount Union: www.mountunion.edu

2. Graduate Scholarship:

East Tennessee State University

In an effort to increase international student enrollment and increase diversity on campus, East Tennessee State University is offering the "International Students Academic Merit Scholarship," which covers 50% of tuition.

To be eligible for the scholarship, applicants must be admitted as full-time students and must have a demonstrated record of academic achievement. Applications are being accepted for the fall 2010 semester. Students who wish to receive the scholarship must submit completed applications by June 1st.

Students can apply online at www.etsu.edu/iss.

For more information, contact:

Maria Costa, The Honors College International Programs and Services

Phone: 1.423.439.7737

Email: costa@etsu.edu or interntl@etsu.edu

BOOK OF THE MONTH

Living in the USA

By: Alison R. Lanier, Jef C. Davis

Are you heading to the U.S. this summer or this fall? Moving to a new place and into a new culture is an exciting experience, but can also be overwhelming and even scary. Prepare yourself by reading this book, which will surely help ease your transition process.

The book is valuable to both short-term and long-term visitors, whether you will be by yourself in the States for one month or stay for five years with your dependents. The topics are diverse, covering both cultural and logistical concerns. It explains dominant American values and "the American way of life," and also serves as a practical relocation guide with helpful advice on immigration, housing, banking, etc.

Call number: IIE REF 306.4 LAN

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<http://www.usembassy-mexico.gov/bbf/bfcredencial.pdf>

3. Postgraduate Scholarship:

University of Pittsburg, School of Arts and Sciences

Postdoctoral fellowships are offered for one year and are renewable for an additional year. The annual stipend will be \$45,000. Fellows will receive an annual research fund of \$3,500 and a one-time reimbursement of up to \$1,500 for moving expenses.

Eligibility: Qualified candidates in the humanities and social sciences who have received the PhD from outside of the University of Pittsburgh between December 1, 2007 and November 30, 2010.

Application: www.as.pitt.edu/postdoc

For more information, contact:

Ms. Runette Brown, Tel. 412-624-3939, Fax: 412-624-6855

E-mail: postdoc@as.pitt.edu

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